

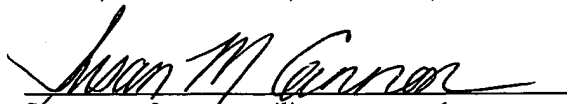


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In reply to the Office communication that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned patent application on January 25, 2006, applicants submit the following Amendments and Remarks.